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## "AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATES OF RELIEF FROM BARRIERS RESULTING FROM CONVICTION OF A CRIME."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and 2 internal references accordingly:
- "Sec. 501. Section 18-98e of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):
- 6 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any 7 person sentenced to a term of imprisonment for a crime committed on 8 or after October 1, 1994, and committed to the custody of the 9 Commissioner of Correction on or after said date, except a person
- sentenced for a violation of section 53a-54a, 53a-54b, 53a-54c, 53a-54d,
- 11 53a-70a or 53a-100aa, may be eligible to earn risk reduction credit
- 12 toward a reduction of such person's sentence, in an amount not to
- 13 exceed five days per month, at the discretion of the Commissioner of
- 14 Correction for conduct as provided in subsection (b) of this section
- occurring on or after April 1, 2006.

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(b) An inmate may earn risk reduction credit for adherence to the inmate's offender accountability plan, for participation in eligible programs and activities, and for good conduct and obedience to institutional rules as designated by the commissioner, provided (1) good conduct and obedience to institutional rules alone shall not entitle an inmate to such credit, [and] (2) the commissioner or the commissioner's designee may, in his or her discretion, cause the loss of all or any portion of such earned risk reduction credit for any act of misconduct or insubordination or refusal to conform to recommended programs or activities or institutional rules occurring at any time during the service of the sentence or for other good cause, and (3) such risk reduction credit is earned by an inmate who is sentenced to a term of incarceration prior to October 1, 2012. If an inmate has not earned sufficient risk reduction credit at the time the commissioner or the commissioner's designee orders the loss of all or a portion of earned credit, such loss shall be deducted from any credit earned by such inmate in the future.

- (c) The award of risk reduction credit earned for conduct occurring prior to July 1, 2011, shall be phased in consistent with public safety, risk reduction, administrative purposes and sound correctional practice, at the discretion of the commissioner, but shall be completed not later than July 1, 2012.
- (d) Any credit earned under this section may only be earned during the period of time that the inmate is sentenced to a term of imprisonment and committed to the custody of the commissioner and may not be transferred or applied to a subsequent term of imprisonment. In no event shall any credit earned under this section be applied by the commissioner so as to reduce a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment such inmate is required to serve by statute.
- (e) The commissioner shall adopt policies and procedures to determine the amount of credit an inmate may earn toward a reduction in his or her sentence and to phase in the awarding of retroactive credit authorized by subsection (c) of this section."

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501 October 1, 2012 18-98e